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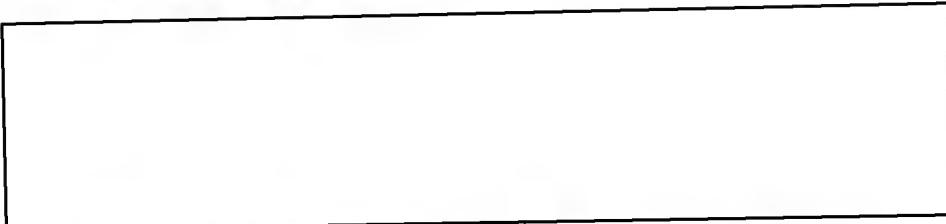
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Professor George P. Bush  
The American University  
School of Government and  
Public Administration  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Professor Bush:

Thank you very much for your letter of 16 July  
which I read with interest.

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Your courtesy in taking the time to write to  
me and your interest in our organization is most  
appreciated.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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**THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY**  
**SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

July 16, 1959

The Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

I have just finished reading the book by Ransom entitled Central Intelligence and National Security, so while it is fresh in my mind it occurred to me to offer a suggestion for your consideration. No doubt this matter has been before you many times previously, in which case just file as a reiteration.

It seems to me that the Agency is missing a bet on one aspect of its public relations, its policy of being aloof and secretive in regard to such matters as are overt as distinguished from those which are covert. After a consideration of the data appearing in Ransom's three appendices and his bibliographical notes, one wonders if it would not be good for the Agency if this overt data were more widely disseminated and understood by the public? Why not draw a careful line between that which must remain covert and that which can be revealed, then on a gradual basis deliberately popularize the overt portion? In this connection, it seems to me that the FBI has drawn such a line and has benefited over the years from a popularization of some of its activities. My concept particularly applies to the situation when your Agency has moved to its new location.

Sincerely yours,

*Geo. P. Bush*  
George P. Bush  
Emeritus Professor

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27 JUL 1959

Dr. Lazlo Bartok

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Dear Dr. Bartok:

I deeply appreciate your words of sympathy  
and your expression of appreciation for my brother.

It was thoughtful of you to let me know of  
your feelings and I thank you for your message.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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